There are a significant number of Michigan households with private gas well connections. Under certain conditions these connections can pose significant health and safety risk to the property owner and community. To minimize this risk, the Michigan Agency for Energy (MAE) has established the Farm Tap Appliance Rebate Program to incentivize the disconnection of farm taps by offering rebates to quality applicants for eligible appliances including appliance conversion kits i.e. natural gas to propane compatible with their new gas supply.

Date: 7/18/18

# **Eligibility**

To apply for a natural gas or propane gas appliance rebate, a homeowner/property owner must have a farm tap and agree to:

- 1. Permanently disconnect their farm tap;
- 2. Establish an active account for natural gas service with a local gas utility company (or propane gas service with a local propane gas provider) which must be tied to the address with the farm tap; and
- 3. Other terms and conditions may apply.

#### Ineligible Parties:

Rebates are not available to renters. Commercial and governmental organizations are not eligible for a rebate under this program. Current information on ineligible parties can be found on MAE's website.

#### Maximum Amount:

The maximum rebate amount (for appliance and installation) cannot exceed \$1,500 per household.

#### Application Process:

Participants in the rebate program must submit their applications prior-to-purchasing rebate appliance(s). The actual amount of the rebate could be less depending upon the availability of funds.

## **List of Eligible Appliances:**

Rebates are limited to the following electric, natural gas, propane appliance, or appliance conversion kit(s). Appliances installed must be Energy Star rated to be eligible. Applicants can apply for multiple reimbursements within the rebate period. However, the total amount applied for cannot exceed \$1,500.

- 1. Range oven
- 2. Hot water heaters
- 3. Furnace
- 4. Dryer
- 5. Smart devices (thermostats, etc.)

Note: natural gas/propane connection and metering devices are ineligible.

## **Installation:**

Applicant must use their local utility's or Michigan Saves approved list of qualified contractors for the installation.

## Project Completion and Verification:

Proof of payment and required documents must be received via email or USPS no later than 5pm, Monday, December 17, 2018. Application must be accompanied with receipts and statement of completion by qualified contractor.

# Reimbursement:

Homeowner/property owner must register as a vendor with the state of Michigan to receive a rebate. State of Michigan vendor system through SIGMA VSS can be found <a href="https://example.com/here">here</a>. Current information on Farm Tap Appliance Rebate Program can be found on MAE's website.